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Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

GOING BACK.

GOING back to nature
In the summer time,
Cutting out the city
With its want and crime,
Hoeling in the garden,
Chopping cords of wood
Or just simply loafing—
Say, it's mighty good!

Rising in the morning
At the peep of day,
Tramping through the meadow
Or the new mown hay,
Sometimes strolling streamward
Where the fishes bite
And returning homeward
With an appetite.

Talking with the neighbors,
Honest, square and plain,
On important subjects,
Such as cutting grain,
Or the pony
Which horse shay
Go to nowhere
Time of day.

Back to nature
Of rest,
Entry victuals
Of old time rest,
Or loafing,
Trouble fly,
Strength and vigor
Days go by.

A Clarious Future.

"Did you know that the Hennings are going south to live?"

"No. And what will they do there?"

"Mr. Hennings will buy a tract of land, start an orange grove, raise early vegetables and perhaps engage in the poultry business."

"You don't tell me!"

"Yes. He has decided upon the number of trees he will start with, what vegetables will be the most profitable and has written to commission me about handling his products."

"But where will he get capital for all this?"

"He hasn't worked out that detail yet."

So Different Now.



"The children say so many bright things."

"I suppose you did also when you were a youngster."

"Oh, many of them."

"How we do change, don't we?"

Shrewd.

"Young Closest is engaged to Miss Brown, they say."

"Yes."

"But I heard him say he doesn't expect to marry for some years yet."

"No. And when he does marry he will probably pick up a woman with money."

"Then why is he engaged to Miss Brown?"

"He says she gives such a swell little Sunday night supper."

Those Girls.

"I like peach cream the best. Don't you, Belle?"

"The best?"

"Yes."

"I can't say that I do."

"You don't mean to say that you prefer common vanilla?"

"No. I hang my hopes to Mme. Catchem's lily face cream."

Alters the Build.

It is the tragedy of life—
Make what you can of that—
If you are wealthy you are plump;
If poor, you're only fat.

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

Fashions come and fashions go, but beaus are always deemed stylish for girls.

Good lung action seems to be one of the requisites of a successful politician.

Some men can make more noise keeping still than the uproar of scores of others.

People who are the limit are usually out of reach of reason.

It is hard to keep on good terms with the weather even though it doesn't turn the cold shoulder.

If you'd like to see everybody sit up and look interested start a rumor that the cost of living has ceased aviating and is reaching for the parachute.

It is hard work to work hard, and the majority of us would rather let father-in-law do it.

Getting into the swim has a lot to do with comfort during the heated term.

In spite of all the dictates of fashion one can see by taking a stroll down any street that fat persons haven't gone out of style a bit.

Doubtful methods don't look so bad when you are on the side that won and have your eye fixed on the spoils.



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HAWTHORNE SEEKS PAROLE

Dr. Morton, Convicted in Same Case, Also Asks Leniency

Atlanta, April 17.—Julian Hawthorne and Dr. George W. Morton, who were convicted in New York for using the mails to defraud in connection with the promotion of mining schemes, have filed applications for parole from the Federal Penitentiary here. They entered the prison March 24 to serve sentences of a year and a day each. One-third of his sentence must be served before a prisoner is eligible for parole. Hawthorne and Morton now are eligible, as the court directed that their sentences should date from the time of their arrest, Nov. 23, 1912.

The Parole Board will meet May 5.

The Wife as Cashier

It was a Baltimore magistrate, Judge Dobler, who recently ruled that—

"A man who turns over his pay envelope each week to his wife is no man at all—the man should be the financial head of the family."

The judge was never more mistaken in his life.

Taking an average, women are twice as good cashiers as men.

It is very, very rare that the wife with the pay envelope stops to have a chat with the fellows, and has to be led home with half of the week's earnings gone to no better purpose than to produce a splitting headache next day.

It is seldom that the better half sits into "a little poker game" with "a small limit," intending to stay only "a few minutes" and ends up, past midnight, with nerves jumping, eyes haggard and dollars shy.

The wife knows the value of a penny. She knows what clothing the children need; how much food it takes to keep the wolf from the door; what debts are hanging over, and the least that is required to keep the home machinery moving.

And when—once in a great while—she "blows herself," it is to the awful extravagance of an ice cream soda, costing five cents, or to a few pieces of candy.

No judge, you're dead wrong.—Albany, (N. Y.) Times Union.

Puzzle In Chronology.

The profound truth that tomorrow never comes and yesterday, although it is always passing, has never been with us, has led a puzzled thinker to the conclusion, "Although yesterday today was tomorrow and tomorrow today will be yesterday, nevertheless yesterday tomorrow would be the day after tomorrow, because today would be tomorrow yesterday, and tomorrow will be today tomorrow or would have been the day after tomorrow yesterday."

Rising to the Burden.

"An acre of ground that now supports two people will have to support a thousand in days to come."

"Well, it can probably do it," asserted Mr. Wombat. "I used to barely support myself. Now I support a wife, four children, a mother-in-law and two of my wife's brothers, and I don't seem to feel the strain very much more."—Kansas City Journal

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